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RE: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State-Certification of Support for
Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §54.314

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, the Mississippi Public Service Commission hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included in this letter are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

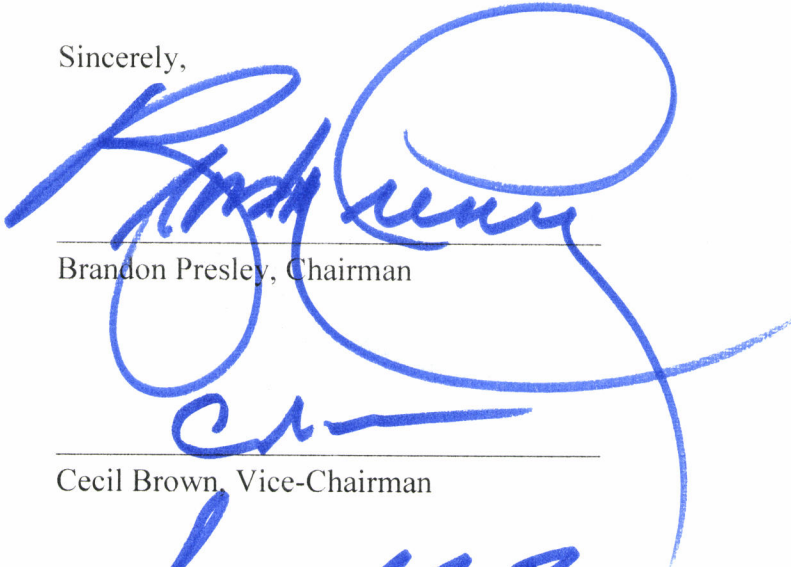
The Mississippi Public Service Commission certifies for the carriers listed in the attached Exhibits A and B that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within Mississippi was used in the preceding calendar year (2015) and will be used in the coming calendar year (2017) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.¹

¹ 47 C.F.R. §54.314(a) ("Certification. States that desire eligible telecommunications carriers to receive support pursuant to the high-cost program must file an annual certification with the Administrator and the Commission stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within that State was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. High-cost support shall only be provided to the extent that the State has filed the requisite certification pursuant to this section.").

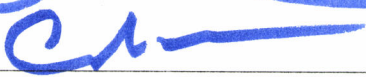
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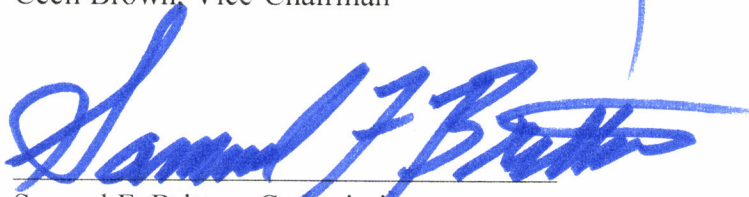
Sincerely,

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Brandon Presley, Chairman

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Cecil Brown, Vice-Chairman

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Samuel F. Britton, Commissioner

Enclosures

USAC sent via online certifications

<u>Carrier's Name</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Carrier's Study Area Code</u>
MS Non-Rural Service Area - 2017- WC Docket 10-90		
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a/ AT&T Mississippi	ILEC	285184
Cellular South Licenses, LLC	CETC	289001
Dialog Telecommunications, Inc.	CETC	289012
Dixie-Net Communications, Inc.	CETC	289003
New Cingular Wireless, PCS, LLC	CETC	289912
TEC of Jackson, Inc.	CETC	289009
Telepak Networks, Inc.	CETC	289011
T-Mobile South LLC and PowerTel/Memphis, Inc.	Conditional - Mobility Fund	288001
T-Mobile South LLC and PowerTel/Memphis, Inc.	Conditional - Mobility Fund	288002

Carrier's Name**Carrier's Study Area Code****Type****MS Rural Service Areas - 2017 - WC Docket 10-90**

Bay Springs Telephone Company	RLEC	280446
Bruce Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	280447
Calhoun City Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	280448
CenturyTel of North Mississippi, Inc.	RLEC	280458
Decatur Telephone Company	RLEC	280451
Delta Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	280452
Franklin Telephone Company, Inc	RLEC	280454
Frontier Communications of Mississippi, Inc.	RLEC	280460
Fulton Telephone Company	RLEC	280455
Georgetown Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	280456
Lakeside Telephone Company	RLEC	280457
Mound Bayou Telephone Company	RLEC	280462
Myrtle Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	287449
Noxapater Telephone Company	RLEC	280461
Sledge Telephone Company	RLEC	280466
Smithville Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	280467
Southeast Mississippi Telephone Company, Inc.	RLEC	283301
Windstream Mississippi, Inc.	RLEC	280453
Cellular South Licenses, LLC	CETC	289001
T-Mobile South LLC and Powertel/Memphis, Inc.	Conditional - Mobility Fund	288001
T-Mobile South LLC and Powertel/Memphis, Inc.	Conditional - Mobility Fund	288002

54.314(a) State-Certification
Filing Year: 2016

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Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F.R § 54.314, the **Mississippi Public Service Commission** hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) listed below are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The **Mississippi Public Service Commission** certifies that for the carriers listed all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within **MISSISSIPPI** was used in the preceding calendar year (**2015**) and will be used in the coming calendar year (**2017**) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.¹

ETCs CERTIFIED BY Mississippi Public Service Commission

CARRIER	SAC
Cellular South Licenses, LLC	289001
DIXIENET COMMUNICATIONS	289003
DIALOG TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.	289012
NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC	289912
TEC of Jackson, Inc.	289009
SO CENTRAL BELL-MS	285184
SMITHVILLE TEL CO	280467
TELEPAK NETWORKS, INC.	289011
WINDSTREAM MS	280453
Powertel/Memphis, Inc.	288001
Powertel/Memphis, Inc.	288002
BAY SPRINGS TEL CO	280446
BRUCE TEL CO - MS	280447
CALHOUN CITY TEL CO	280448
DECATUR TEL CO -MS	280451
DELTA TEL CO	280452
FRANKLIN TEL CO - MS	280454
FULTON TEL CO	280455
GEORGETOWN TEL CO	280456
LAKESIDE TEL. CO.	280457

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CARRIER	SAC
CENTURYTEL - N. MISS	280458
FRONTIER-MISSISSIPPI	280460
NOXAPATER TEL CO	280461
MOUND BAYOU TEL & CO	280462
SLEDGE TEL CO	280466
SOUTHEAST MS TEL CO	283301
MYRTLE TEL CO	287449

Signed,

Signature of Certifying State Commission Representative: Certified On-Line

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